

REMARKS

This amendment is in response to the Official Action mailed March 16, 2004, the shortened statutory period for filing a response being set to expire on April 16, 2004. In view of the above amendments and below remarks, reconsideration of the Examiner's rejection is respectfully requested.

This amendment supplements Applicant's amendment of December 8, 2003, as well as responding to the issues raised by the Examiner in the Official Action of March 16, 2004. Accordingly, Applicant's remarks as set forth in the prior amendment are incorporated herein for consideration by the Examiner along with the below remarks.

The Examiner has initially objected to certain of Applicant's claims as not containing the claim identifier "withdrawn" as to those claims designated by the Examiner as having been withdrawn from consideration, i.e., claims 37-40, 44-49 and 55-62. Applicant has corrected the claim identifier as to the withdrawn claims so as to overcome the objection raised by the Examiner.

The Examiner has stated that Applicant's amendment of December 8, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Official Action because the claims are not readable on the elected species II (drawn to Figs. 2, 3 10A-B and 12A-C, elected in paper No. 9). The Examiner contends that the claims pending in this application fail to read on the elected species by inclusion of the limitation "a second one of said plurality of attachments comprising a wall mount", "a third one of said plurality of attachments comprising a flat mount", and "at least one of said attachments comprising the assembly of less than all of said less plurality of attachment components." The Examiner states that the Applicant can only direct the claims to the elected species II, stating that the present claims are directed to non-elected species I and III. For the foregoing reason, the

Examiner's rejection is traverse and should therefore be withdrawn.

Applicant agrees with the Examiner that the aforementioned claims are readable upon the non-elected species I and III. It is precisely for this reason that Applicant has argued in its prior response that all independent claims pending in this application are generic to species I, II and III. By definition, a generic claim is readable upon all species, and that fact cannot be used against Applicant for rejecting the claims as improperly reading upon a non-elected species. As such, it is clearly proper, as in the present claims, for the claims to read upon the non-elected species. Applicant opines that the Examiner does not disagree with this principal, but opining that the claims are not readable upon the elected species II.

This contention by the Examiner is clearly in error. Applicant has amended the claims to clarify any issue that the independent claims read on the elected species II. For example with respect to independent claim 36, it is stated that "said plurality of attachments at least including a clamp mount which comprises a first one of said plurality of attachments adapted for attaching said attachment to an edge portion of the support." This limitation is specifically the elected species II. Thus, at the very least, Applicant's claimed kit must be capable of assembling an attachment in the nature of a clamp mount which corresponds to the elected species II. Optionally, the attachment components can also be assembled into the form of a wall mount or a flat mount, which is readable on species I and III. Therefore, the claims are readable upon all three species and hence, are generic as previously argued by Applicant.

For those reasons noted in Applicant's prior amendment, all claims pending in this application are now in

condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

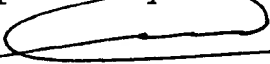
As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that she telephone Applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which she might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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